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On Behalf Of:	Better Eugene-Springfield Transportation
Committee:	Joint Committee On Transportation Reinvestment
Measure, Appointment or Topic:	Directs the Division of Audits to conduct performance audits of the Department of Transportation.

I use my bicycle to travel to all the places I go in my daily life: to work, to the grocery, to the gym, to friends' homes, to classes and meetings. I have travelled by bike for years, but the increase in traffic, the size of vehicles and the behavior of motorists makes riding a bike through the city feel more hazardous than it used to. The single thing that would make the streets safer for me would be to have more people getting around by bike—and to do that, we need to invest in making city streets safe and welcoming to people, whether they're traveling by bike, walking, catching the bus or driving. We will never solve our transportation problems if most people consider being in a motor vehicle the only safe way to be on the streets. HB 2025 makes a start toward putting our money and focus on safety and equity for everybody who depends on Oregon's streets and paths, and asking everyone to pay for it.